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DECEMBER 4th to 16th, 1967

DUBLIN GRAND OPERA SOCIETY

presents

The Principals
of the
Bucharest Opera
in
WERTHER

by JULES MASSENET



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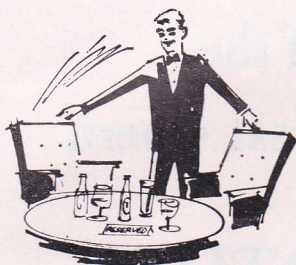


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FINALE

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GAIETY THEATRE

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NIGHTLY at 7.45 p.m.

Commencing Monday 4th December, 1967

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presents

The Principals of the Bucharest Opera

in

MIGNON

(THOMAS)

CARMEN

(BIZET)

WERTHER

(MASSENET)

Renee Corenne, Viorica Cortez, Niculina Mirea Curta
Patricia Dolan, Olive Duncan, Ann Moran, Zenaida
Pally, Mugur Bogdan, Joseph Dalton, Nicolae Florei,
Constantin Iliescu, Dan Jordachescu, Peter McBrien,
Jon Piso, Patrick Ring, William Young.

Conductors : Napoleone Annovazzi, Vladimire Benic.

Producer : Mladen Sabljic.

Leader of Orchestra : Brendan O'Brien.

Stage Manager : Ruth O'Meara

Chorus Master : Peadar O'Reilly.

Choreography : Sylvia Behan.

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Performances commence at 7.45 p.m.

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Monday December 11th

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WER

Opera in 3 Acts by

Libretto by Edovard Blau, Pa

Based on Johann Wolfgang Von Goethe's

(By arrangement with UNITED M

Time : 1772

Place : Walzlar, Germany

DRAMATIS PERSONAE :

WERTHER, a poet ION PISO
THE BAILIFF JOSEPH DALTON
SCHMIDT His PATRICK RING
JOHANN friends WILLIAM YOUNG
CHARLOTTE, Daughter of Bailiff
VIORICA CORTEZ
ALBERT, Her fiancé MUGUR BOGDAN
SOPHIE, Sister of Charlotte ANN MORAN

Boys : By kind permission of the Headmaster,
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Conductor : NAPOLEONE ANNOVAZZI

Producer : MLADEN SABLJIC

Stage Manager : Ruth O'Meara

Chorus Master : Peadar O'Reilly

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Saturday December 16th

WERTHER

JULES MASSENET

Libretto by Eugène I. Milliet and Georges Hartmann

Original Novel, "Die Leiden des Jungen Werthers."

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" W E R T H E R "

ACT I "The Bailiff", a widower, is rehearsing (in July!) his children in a Christmas carol while the eldest Charlotte is preparing to go to a ball with her cousin Werther, a poet. The Bailiff's friends, Schmidt and Johann, tell us about Werther's melancholy nature and of Albert, Charlotte's fiancé, who has been absent almost a year. Having given her young brothers and sisters their bread-and-butter supper Charlotte leaves with Werther. Albert has come home and is reassured by Sophie, Charlotte's sister, that Charlotte is faithful to him. Returned from the ball, Werther declares his love to Charlotte. She returns his feelings but tells him that at the wish of her dying mother she had pledged herself to marry Albert. Werther replies "if you fulfil that promise, I shall die."

ACT II A Sunday afternoon three months later. The villagers are celebrating their pastor's golden wedding. Charlotte is married happily enough to Albert. Werther sings of his despair. Albert attempts to console him and Sophie begs him to dance with her at the festivities. Charlotte, when Werther tells her he still loves her hopelessly, suggests he transfer his affections to Sophie and begs him not to see her again before Christmas. In a black mood Werther refuses to dance with Sophie, declares he is going away never to return and departs leaving everybody rather disturbed.

ACT III Scene 1 Christmas has come. We find Charlotte re-reading all Werther's letters. Despite herself she still loves him but prays for fortitude. Without warning Werther re-appears, unable to keep his vow to stay away. There is a passionate duet where Werther quotes from *Ossian* in the famous air "*Pourquoi me reveiller*". Charlotte leaves him and Werther rushes out saying he is going to his death. Indeed soon after Albert receives a note from Werther asking him to lend him his pistols as he is going on a long journey. Charlotte hurries away hoping to avert a tragedy.

After an intermezzo, Scene 2 opens in Werther's room. He has indeed shot himself and is dying when Charlotte reaches him. She blames herself for the tragedy and tells Werther she had loved him from the beginning. He is made happy by this and by Charlotte's first kiss. Outside the children sing the carol they had been rehearsing for the past six months.

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